

# **LINCOLN WATER COMMISSIONERS**

**NOVEMBER 9, 2011**

**The regular monthly meeting of the Lincoln Board of Water Commissioners was held at the Lincoln Water Commission Office with Commissioners Conklin, Hadley, Lapierre, DeCotis and Kay present. Also present was Water Superintendent John S. Faile, financial consultant Mr. Ron Loesser, and Lincoln Mobil Estates Owner, Mr. Jim Buratti.**

**The meeting was called to order at 5:09 PM.**

**Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Hadley, the agenda was altered in order to allow the guests to speak at the beginning of the meeting. APPROVED.**

**Mr. Buratti explained to the Board that there was a leak in the Mobil Park that took eight months to locate. He thanked the Superintendent for his assistance with the problem by putting them in touch with Atlantic States Rural Water with their leak detection skills. He further petitioned the Board to find a way of lowering the bill since it is rather large because more water passed through the meter than ever before.**

**After much discussion, the Board explained that while they cannot adjust the cost of metered water they can offer a payment plan and change the reading cycle from semi-annual to monthly. The**

**Superintendent also informed Mr. Buratti that changes need to be made to the meter installation to make it easier to access. Members of the crew will work with Mr. Buratti on the meter change; the water assessment will also be reviewed based on the difference between 59 units and the recent addition of adding units to bring the total to 64 units.**

**Mr. Ron Loesser then addressed the Board with an overview of the Commission portfolio. Upon motion of Commissioner Lapierre, seconded by Commissioner Kay, it was VOTED: To let the portfolio stay as it is. APPROVED**

**Upon motion of Commissioner Lapierre, seconded by Commissioner Hadley, it was VOTED: To accept the minutes of the previous meeting. APPROVED**

### **MONTHLY REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**Upon motion of Commissioner DeCotis, seconded by Commissioner Kay, the Superintendent's Report for the month of October is accepted. APPROVED.**

### **MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

**Upon motion of Commissioner DeCotis, seconded by Commissioner Lapierre, the October 2011 correspondence will be sent to the Town of Lincoln Finance Director with the status of the operating budgets and the financial report placed on file for audit. APPROVED.**

**At this time the Board reviewed the termination and overpayment policy and upon motion of Commissioner DeCotis, seconded by Commissioner Lapierre, it was VOTED: the termination policy remain as documented and the overpayment policy be addressed on a case by case basis. APPROVED**

## **OUTSTANDING BALANCE REPORT**

**The Outstanding Balance Report for the month of October, 2011 will be placed on file.**

## **CAPITAL ACCOUNTS**

**Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Lapierre, it was VOTED: To balance the investment accounts between banks based on interest earned on investments.  
APPROVED**

## **MONTHLY INVOICES**

**Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Hadley, Accounts Payable in the amount of \$161,188.19, and Direct Payments in the amount of \$337,680.07 were approved for payment.  
APPROVED**

## **ABATEMENTS**

**Abatements in the amount of \$4,141.80 were presented to the Board. Upon motion of Commissioner DeCotis, seconded by Commissioner**

**Kay, it was VOTED: To approve senior abatement of surcharges in the amount of \$30.38, interest fees in the amount of \$21.16, over-estimates in the amount of 3,497.40, and corrected account balances in the amount of \$592.86. APPROVED.**

## **ACCOUNT TRANSACTION REPORT**

**The Account Transaction report will be placed on file.**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

**a) Correspondence on the agenda was moved to the beginning of the meeting.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**a) There was no communication from the Lonsdale Fire District at the September 2011 meeting.**

**b) After a very lengthy discussion, upon motion of Commissioner DeCotis, seconded by Commissioner Kay, it was VOTED: To award the rebuilding of one of the 150 horsepower pumps to the Stephen B Church Company in the amount of 27,820.00 APPROVED.**

**c) Upon motion of Commissioner Lapierre, seconded by Commissioner DeCotis, it was voted: To approve the supply of water to four lots on Railroad Street Manville. APPROVED**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**a) Upon motion of Commissioner Lapierre, seconded by Commissioner Hadley, it was VOTED: To approve and submit DewCon Invoice #14 To Rhode Island Clean Water Finance Agency for payment in the amount of \$99,000.00 and Upon motion of Commissioner DeCotis, seconded by Commissioner Hadley, it was VOTED: To continue the contract with DewCon for an additional year with the established current prices remaining in effect. APPROVED.**

## **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Claim Committee**

**a) No claims were brought before the Board.**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Upon motion of Commissioner DeCotis, seconded by Commissioner Lapierre: It was VOTED: To send a check in the amount of \$200.00 to Franco Alfieri as part of the installation and successful use for one year of the smart sprinkler system. APPROVED**

**The Superintendent will direct the utility crew to view and repair as necessary, Maplehurst Drive in the areas that work was done on the water mains.**

**The December meeting will be held on December 14th at 4:30 pm**

**Members of the Board will attend the annual meeting of the Trust on**

**January 19th.**

**Copies of press releases prepared by NEWWA, the Canton MA. Local journal, and Water and Waste digest were presented to the Board.**

**Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Lapierre, it was VOTED: To adjourn at 8:38 PM. APPROVED**